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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 6, 2006, in which the Examiner identified two inventions, Applicant elects the invention identified as Group I (claims 1-32, 45-57 and 63), without traverse.

Please cancel claims 33-44 and 58-62 without prejudice.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.